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DECLARATION OF REGIONAL EMERGENCY

49 CFR 390.23

On December 1, 2005, The Governor of the State of Texas declared that an emergency exists in that State due to Hurricane Katrina and renewed Texas's declaration of emergency through December 30, 2005. Under 49 CFR 390.25, an extension of relief from federal regulations can be made for up to 30 days by the FMCSA Field Administrator.

I find that an extension in the State of Texas of the relief from 49 CFR Parts 390-399 for motor carriers and drivers providing direct assistance in emergency relief from Hurricane Katrina, regardless of commodity, is necessary due to the severity of emergency needs and the appropriate coordination of State and Federal responses. Subject to further extension as conditions may require, I declare a regional emergency exists in the State of Texas from today through December 30, 2005.

Motor carriers and drivers are reminded that relief from 49 CFR Parts 390-399 applies only to direct assistance in emergency relief, as defined in 49 CFR 390.5. Parts 390-399 fully apply to all other commercial motor vehicle operations and to States where declarations of emergency have not been extended.

Signed,

For : Joel Hiatt
Acting Field Administrator
Southern Service Center

Proclamation - December 1, 2005



Proclamation
by the
Governor of the State of Texas

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

WHEREAS I, RICK PERRY, Governor of the State of Texas, did issue Emergency Disaster Proclamations in the wake of Hurricane Katrina, a disaster in sister states, on September 1, 2005, October 3, 2005, and October 31, 2005; and

WHEREAS, I do hereby certify that Hurricane Katrina continues to create an emergency disaster and emergency conditions for the people in the State of Texas.

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with the authority vested in me by Section 418.014 of the Texas Government Code, I do hereby renew the disaster proclamation and direct that all necessary measures, both public and private as authorized under Section 418.015 of the code, be implemented to meet that disaster.

As provided in Section 418.016, all rules and regulations that may inhibit or prevent prompt response to this threat are suspended for the duration of the incident. This Proclamation shall be effective for a period of 30 days beginning on December 1, 2005.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and have officially caused the Seal of State to be affixed at my Office in the City of Austin, Texas, this the 1st day of December, 2005.

RICK PERRY(Signature)
Governor of Texas

Attested by:
ROGER WILLIAMS(Signature)
Secretary of State